



# Nordic Locality Research

Why It's Important and What to Include

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## SWEDEN

### FAMILYSEARCH WIKI FOR SWEDEN

**Country Page** - [https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/Sweden\\_Genealogy](https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/Sweden_Genealogy)

On the Sweden Country page you can expect to find:

- Clickable map of counties
- County codes (as seen in all major repositories for Swedish records)
- Sidebar with links to articles that are record specific
- Links to word lists, feast day calendars, strategy articles, and more.

**County Page** – *find by using the clickable map on the Sweden Country page.*

On the Sweden County pages you can expect to find:

- Clickable map of parishes
- List of districts in the county
- Brief history of the county

**Parish Page** – *find by using the clickable map on the county page or searching for the parish directly in the wiki search bar.*

On the Sweden Parish page you can expect to find:

- Picture of the church
- Brief history of the parish
- Farm and village names
- Sidebar with jurisdiction information, links to SVAR, Wikipedia (in Swedish), SCB and more.

## OTHER PLACES TO LOOK

**Swedish Wikipedia** – <https://sv.wikipedia.org/>

Often includes:

- Parish history
- Information about farms and villages
- District, court, and military information
- Interesting landmarks and notable facts about the area

**National Archive Database (NAD)** – <https://sok.riksarkivet.se/nad>

1. Type the name of the parish into the search bar followed by “**kyrkoarkiv**”
2. When the list of hits comes up- click on the hit with the title you just searched. This will bring up the archive information for that parish
3. Scroll down and look for the section that say “**Ämnesord**” click on one of the links in that section (if there are multiple of the same, it does not matter which you click on)
4. This page describes the changes in the parish over time as well as the following (for more information about what each of these jurisdictions are, click to open a description):
  - a. **Pastorat**
  - b. **Stift**
  - c. **Härad, Tingslag, and Bergslag**
  - d. **Domsaga.**
  - e. **Militär Indelning**
  - f. **Fogderi**

**ArkivDigital** – <http://app.arkivdigital.se> (subscription site)

### **Parish Information**

1. Click on “**Archive Search**”
2. Type in the name of the parish and click search. Then find your parish in the hit list and click to open it
3. On the top of the list of collections for the parish click on the blue box that says “**Archive Info**” this info can include:
  - a. Changes in the parish over time
  - b. Any possible record loss due to fire, etc.
  - c. Län, Pastorat, Stift, and Härad information

### **Quick Find: Mantals Tax Records**

Index search where you can type in the name of the parish and it will bring you links correct page where the parishes records begin.

### **Probates/Estate Inventories**

These can often be found in the parish archive near the very bottom of the collection list. Look for **Häradsrätt** or **Domsaga**.

## MAPS AND GAZETTEERS

### **SCB Maps**

<http://geodata.scb.se/reginawebmap/main/webapp/>

### **Ortnamnsregistret - Small place name index**

<https://www.isof.se/sprak/namn/ortnamn/ortnamnsregistret/sok-i-registret.html>

## DENMARK

**Country Page** - [https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/Denmark\\_Genealogy](https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/Denmark_Genealogy)

On the Denmark Country page you can expect to find:

- Clickable map of counties
- Country Regions as of 2007
- Sidebar with links to articles that are record specific
- Links to word lists, feast day calendars, strategy articles, and more.

**County Page** – *find by using the clickable map on the Sweden Country page.*

On the Denmark County pages you can expect to find:

- Clickable map of parishes within their clerical districts
- List of districts in the county
- List of Estates in the county
- Brief history of the county

**Parish Page** – *find by using the clickable map on the county page or searching for the parish directly in the wiki search bar.*

On the Denmark Parish page, you can expect to find:

- Brief history of the parish
- Farm and village names
- List of surrounding parishes
- Links to tax record collections (occasional)
- Links to locality specific collections and websites (occasional)
- Sidebar with jurisdiction information including the pastorat, lægde number, estates, and more.

## OTHER PLACES TO LOOK

### **Daisy (De brune kasser) - <https://www.sa.dk/en/>**

1. Go to **sa.dk/en/** and using the Daisy search box, type in "**De brune kasser**" and search
2. Click on the first option
3. Click on the green button that says "**Vis indhold**" This will bring up a page of parishes.
4. Find the parish you are looking for and click on "**Laes arkivaliet**" to open the collection.

This collection can include:

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| ○ Changes in the parish over time | ○ Herred (district)                        |
| ○ Provsti (deanery)               | ○ Kommune (municipality)                   |
| ○ Stift (diocese)                 | ○ Udskrivningskreds/lægd number (military) |
| ○ Amt (county)                    | ○ Lægddistikt (military)                   |

### **Denmark Military Levy Numbers (Lægdnummer)**

FamilySearch Wiki tool to help you find the Lægd number.

### **Danske Slægtsforskere**

**Avskrivne Kilder** – Choose your county and browse the list of resources. (Sometimes a PDF link to open, but sometimes just information to read on the page)

**Driftede Hjemmesider** – Includes a link to the genealogy library (online books and resources) as links to websites with extractions, images, forums and more.

**Online Kilder** – Links to general websites listed in a table. You can also click on a record type and it will take you to a long list of online links for that record where you can search for your locality.

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### **Historiske kort på nettet - <https://hkpn.gst.dk/>**

Click on "Sogne- og herredskort" and type in the name of your parish

### **Danish Family Search – Street and Place Name Search**

<https://www.danishfamilysearch.com/gader/>

### **Krabsens – Danish place names database**

<http://www.krabsen.dk/stednavnebase/>

# NORWAY

## FAMILYSEARCH WIKI FOR Norway

### **Country Page** - [https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/Norway\\_Genealogy](https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/Norway_Genealogy)

On the Norway Country page you can expect to find:

- Clickable map of counties
- Current county boundaries (2020)
- Sidebar with links to articles that are record specific
- Links to word lists, feast day calendars, strategy articles, and more.

### **County Page** – *find by using the clickable map on the Norway Country page.*

On the Norway County pages you can expect to find:

- Map of parishes
- List of probate jurisdictions in the county
- Tax, Census, and Church record information specific to the county
- Brief history of the county

### **Parish Page** – *find by using the clickable map on the county page or searching for the parish directly in the wiki search bar.*

On the Norway Parish page, you can expect to find:

- Brief history of the parish within their clerical district
- Links directly to church books and censuses for that parish (if the parish was part of a different clerical district, these links may lead you to the wiki page for the parish where your family would have been recorded)
- Farm and village names extracted from farm books for the area
- Sidebar with jurisdiction information

## OTHER PLACES TO LOOK

### **Important Jurisdiction Types:**

Click on the jurisdictions below to learn more about what they are:

- Prosti (deanery)
- Bispedømme (diocese)
- Prestegjeld (clerical district)
- Sorenskriveri (court/probate)
- Fogderi (higher court)
- Len/Amt/Fylke (county)

### **FamilySearch Catalog - <https://www.familysearch.org/search/catalog>**

1. Type in the name of your parish and click search
2. In the list of hits, choose the record type you want to learn more about to expand it.
3. Pick one of the items in the record type and click on it to open it
4. In the notes section of the item, there will be information about that jurisdiction. This info can include:
  - a. Other parishes included in the same jurisdiction
  - b. Record loss or gaps in the record keeping
  - c. Changes in the jurisdiction over time
  - d. Where else you can look for records

### **ArkivPortalen - <https://arkivportalen.no>**

1. Type the jurisdiction (prosti, fogderi, sorenskriveri, etc.) into the search box and click the search button
2. On the left side of the screen, scroll down and select “**Virksomhet**”
3. Scroll down again and select a county under the “**Fylke**” drop down
4. Open the results (in Norwegian) These can often give you information about:
  - a. Which parishes were included in a jurisdiction
  - b. How the area changed over time

### **FamilySearch Digital Library - <https://www.familysearch.org/library/books/>**

Because Bygdebøker (farm books) are so important to Norwegian research. This tool can help you to quickly search for information and find more. Search by any of the following:

1. Parish name
2. Farm name
3. Name of ancestor

### **FamilySearch Genealogies - <https://www.familysearch.org/search/family-trees>**

1. Click on the “**+Collection**” button
2. Choose “**Community Trees**”
3. Type in the name of your ancestor along with any other identifying information and click “**Search**”
4. Look for any hits that match your search and click on them to open the tree.

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### **Norway's Parishes**

<http://norwayparishes.com/>

### **Norges Kart**

<https://www.norgeskart.no/#/?project=norgeskart&layers=1002&zoom=4&lat=7197864.00&lon=396722.00>